IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 6 and 7.

Please amend the claims as follows.

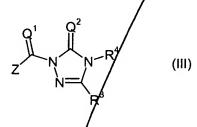
- 5. (Twice Amended) A process for preparing a compound according to Claim 1, comprising the step of:
 - (a) reacting a substituted thiophene-3-sulphonamide of the formula (II)



$$R^1$$
 O H_2N SO_2 (II)

wherein

R¹ and R² are each as defined in Claim 1 with a substituted triazolin(ethi)one of the formula (III)



wherein

Q¹, Q², R³ and R⁴ are each as defined in Claim 1 and

Z represents halogen, alkoxy, aryloxy or arylalkoxy, optionally in the presence of a reaction auxiliary and optionally in the presence of a diluerit,

said process (a) further optionally comprising the step of converting the compound of the formula (I) obtained by said process (a) into a salt.

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